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IN REPLY REFER TO:

**STATE OF HAWAII
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Board of Land and
Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

ISSUANCE OF A DIRECT LEASE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION,
HILO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HAWAII

REQUEST:

Issuance of a lease to the U. S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to operate, maintain and repair an Automated Surface Observation System (ASOS).

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-95, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

LESSEE:

U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,
National Weather Service (NWS)

LOCATION AND TAX MAP KEY:

Portion of Hilo International Airport, Hilo, Island of Hawaii, identified by
Tax Map Key: 3rd Division, 2-1-12: Portion of 9

AREA:

Area/Space No. 004-138, consisting of 2,290 square feet of improved, unpaved land, as
shown on the attached Exhibit A

TERM OF LEASE:

Fifteen years

LEASE COMMENCEMENT DATE:

Upon execution of the document

RENTAL:

None

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban
County of Hawaii: Industrial (ML-20)

LAND TITLE STATUS:

Section 5(a), Hawaii Admission Act
DHHL 30% entitlement lands Yes ____ No X

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Airport and aeronautical uses

CHARACTER OF USE:

Operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and removal of an Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS) equipment including, but not limited to: field sensor group(s), acquisition control unit (ACU), communications and peripheral equipment, antenna(s), and connecting cables together with electrical power for the operation of equipment owned by NWS.

CHAPTER 343, HRS – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This project will have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment under the authority of Chapter 343, HRS, as amended and Section 11-200 HAR. The declaration of exemption is based on Exemption Class #1 on the Comprehensive Exemption List dated November 15, 2000, that states:

"Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing."

REMARKS:

The NWS is requesting issuance of a new lease. The Department of Transportation, Airports Division (DOTA) is obligated under the Grant Assurances to provide NWS a site related to air navigation at no cost. The DOTA, in the public interest, has no objection to NWS's request for a lease.

RECOMMENDATION:


That the Board authorize the issuance of a direct lease to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service at Hilo International Airport, subject to: (1) terms and conditions herein outlined, which are by reference incorporated herein; (2) such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Director of Transportation to best serve the interests of the State; and (3) review and approval of the Department of the Attorney General as to the lease form and content.

Respectfully submitted,

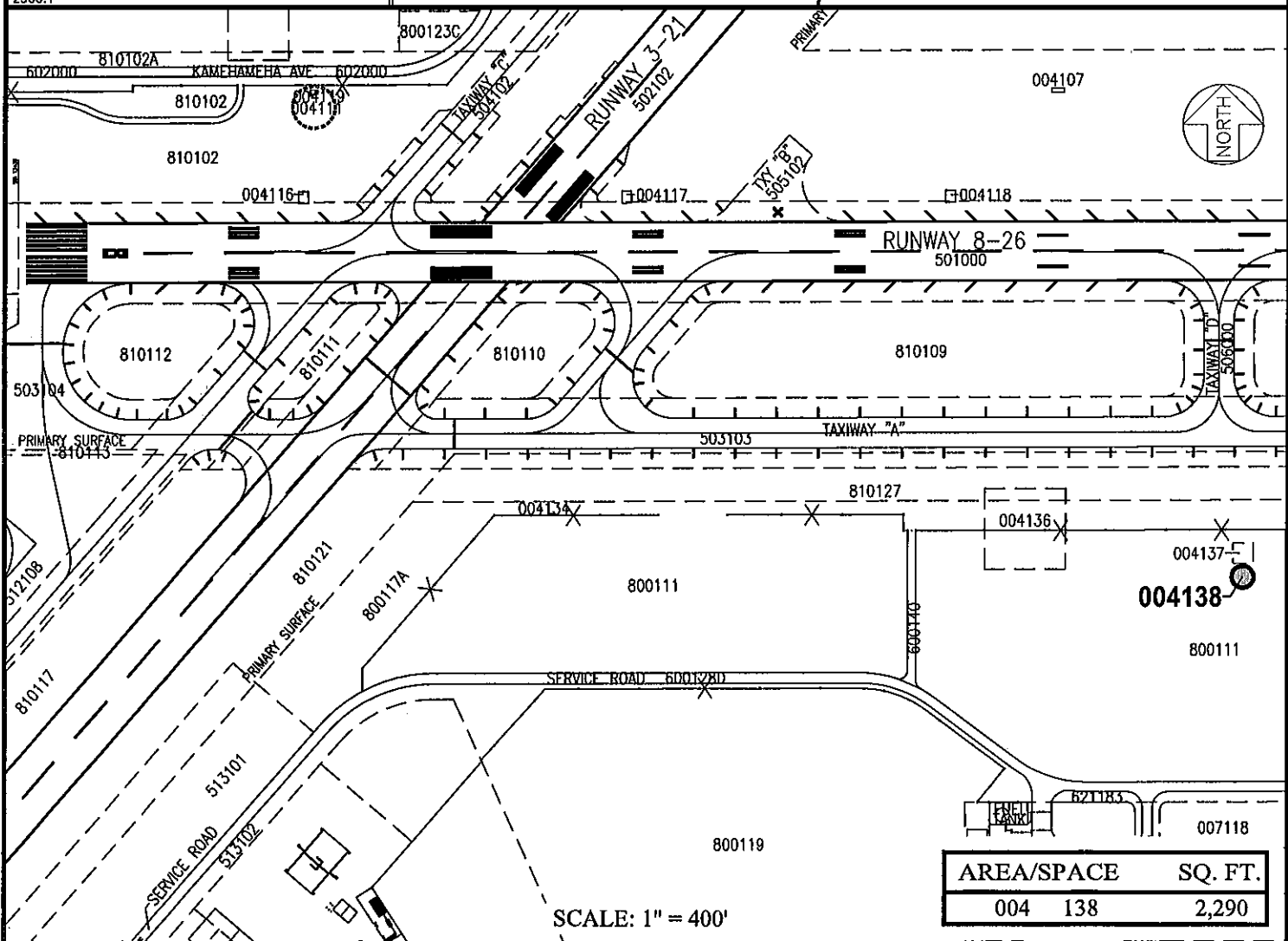
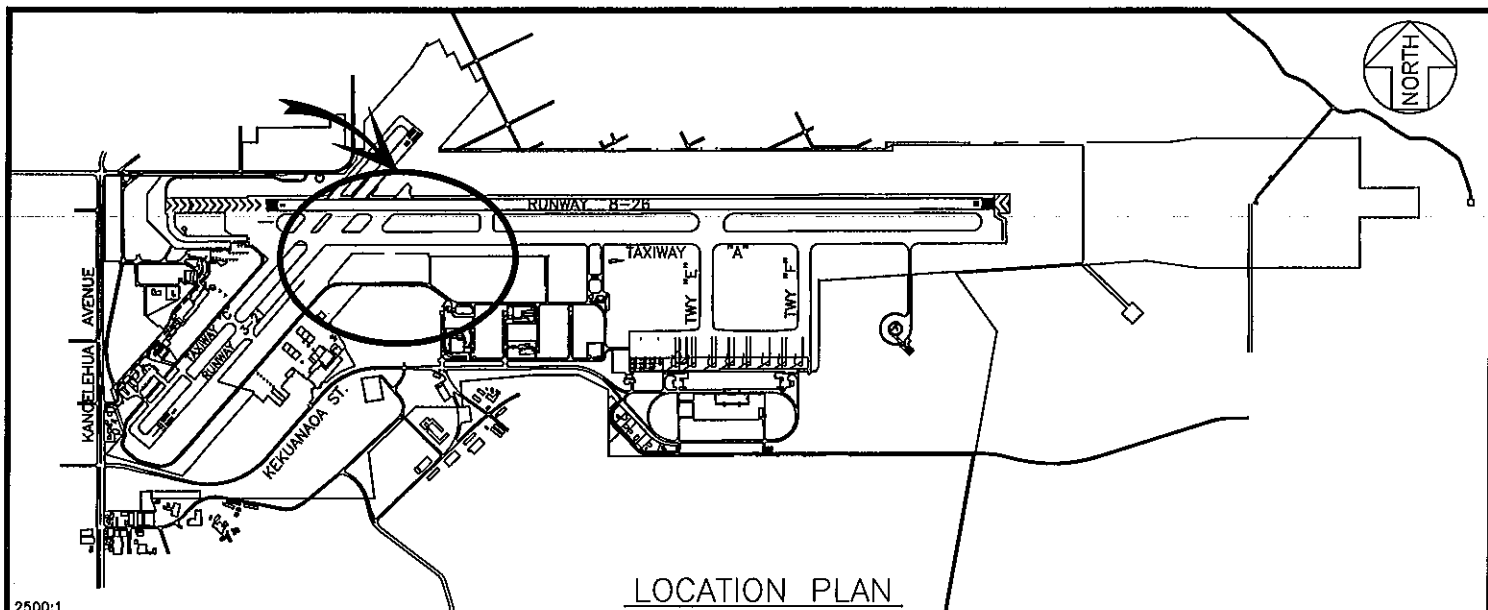


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Director of Transportation

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



LAURA H. THIELEN
Chairperson and Member



DATE : OCTOBER 2009

EXHIBIT: A



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